UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

JOHN HANCOCK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, JOHN HANCOCK VARIABLE LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, and INVESTORS PARTNER LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY,))))))))
Plaintiffs,) Civil Action No. 03 CV 12501DPW
v.) Hon. Douglas P. Woodlock
ABBOTT LABORATORIES,)
Defendant.)) _)

DEFENDANT ABBOTT LABORATORIES' MOTION FOR IMPOUNDMENT OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

Pursuant to Local Rule 7.2, Defendant and Counter-Plaintiff Abbott Laboratories ("Abbott") hereby moves this Court for leave to file the following document under seal in connection with Abbott's Motion for Summary Judgment:

1. Defendant Abbott Laboratories' Response to Affidavit of Brian Davis.

The materials to be impounded contain confidential information of Abbott and/or John Hancock Life Insurance Company, John Hancock Variable Life Insurance Company, and Investors Partner Life Insurance Company (collectively, "Hancock") that has been designated "Confidential" or "Highly Confidential" pursuant to the Stipulated Protective Order executed by the parties and entered by the Court in this matter on May 12, 2004 ("Stipulated Protective Order").

Abbott has consulted with Hancock pursuant to Local Rule 7.1(A)(2), and Hancock concurs that to the extent the above referenced documents contain confidential information that

has been designated "Confidential" or "Highly Confidential" by one of the parties, the documents should be filed in compliance with the impoundment provisions of the Stipulated Protective Order and Local Rule 7.2.

Abbott respectfully requests that, pursuant to the Stipulated Protective Order, the above-referenced documents that are the subject of this Motion be impounded until further Order of the Court, and returned to outside counsel for Abbott upon the conclusion of such custody.

Respectfully submitted,

ABBOTT LABORATORIES

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Dated: November 24, 2004

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE WITH LOCAL RULE 7.1(A)(2)

The undersigned hereby certifies that counsel for Abbott Laboratories has conferred with

John Hancock Life Insurance Company, John Hancock Variable Life Insurance Company, and

Investors Partner Life Insurance Company (collectively, "Hancock") and that Hancock has no

objection to impoundment of the documents that are the subject of this Motion.

/s/ Michael S. D'Orsi Michael S. D'Orsi

Dated: November 24, 2004